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### CANCER.

Doctors Divided on the Bacterial Theory of the Disease.

When bacteria were found to be the cause of one infectious disease after another, it was thought that cancer might be included in the list, and several enthusiastic scientists isolated a bacterium which they dedicated to the use of this disease; but the flood of experiments that followed proved that it was quite incapable of causing cancer in animals or man, and it was relegated to the uninteresting position of a non-pathogenic germ. The bacterial theory appearing untenable, they thought themselves a little nearer when they advanced the idea of a protozoan, which name they held as being sufficiently wide to include any organism of the animal world that might be found as an exciting cause. The closer study of parasitic diseases of lower animals, which has accompanied medical studies of the past few years, added a certain plausibility to this idea.

The present aspect of the cancer problem, as presented by Sanfelice, Roncali, Bra and Plummer, seems to have by analogy something more of truth than what has gone before. That the germ of infection is a vegetable parasite of the class known as yeasts, or molds, in a wider sense, may be possible, for the nature of the irritative process following infection is analogous to certain forms of new growths that are prevalent throughout the vegetable kingdom. There is a large class of fungoid parasitic diseases in plants that have tumorous excrescences developed. These are known to be caused by abnormal development of adjacent tissues, and slowly affect the life processes of the plant. The organisms that are the exciting cause of these diseases are of the same general class of fungi that are now being held the cause of carcinoma, and the gradual impairment of nutrition and spread of the growths are strikingly similar in both cases. Just what the outcome may be still a matter of uncertainty.—N. Y. Medical Record.

### Wanted.

A good genuine business horse for its keep. Address ADVOCATE office.

There is no authority in the Bible for measuring a man's religion by the length of his face.

Becker, the Chicago wife murderer, was sentenced to be hanged Oct. 13.

Chicago now has a truly funeral car, with cable cars for the mourners to follow in.

Some men are so eager to get ahead that they forget to stop on the right road.

The devil will keep on coming to us as long as we let him in when he knocks.

Kee, the law, be ye swift in all obedience.

Clear the land of evil, drive the road, the bridge, the ford.

Make us sure to each his own, That he reap what he hath sown;

By the peace among our people, let men know we serve the God.

—Kipling

Tip, tip all day at the machine until the head throbs with every tap. And when the machine stops for the day the throbbing still goes on.

More than any other class of women the large army of clerks needs to closely watch the health of the organs peculiarly womanly.

For the general health as the local health of the delicate, womanly organs is disordered. With irregularities there will come pains in the head, the back or side, nausea and general misery.

The happiness of the future life will be entirely ruined by neglect of the health at this critical period.

Women confined in offices, shut out from necessary exercise will find a faithful friend in Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

It so regulates the womanly functions and so strengthens the delicate organs that pain from these causes will be absolutely done away with and future health be perfectly assured.

There is no opium, cocaine or other narcotic in "Favorite Prescription."

Neither does it contain alcohol, whiskey or other intoxicant.

"I was so weak I did not have breath to walk across my room," writes Mrs. Mabel Miller of Providence, Calumet Co., Ky. "My periods occurred twice a month and the blood was so thick and the flow of blood very excessive. I had had spells which the doctor called 'hysteria.' I could not tell when they were coming on but they left me very weak and nervous."

"I was so weak I did not have strength for several months to answer to a kind friend to try Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, which I had before taken two bottles of it. It could work my system. I took it all the time and before long I was able to do my work and I have had a return of this trouble since, and never again under Dr. Pierce's medicine enough, for I know they saved my life."

### LOSSES FROM LIGHTNING.

About Five Persons in a Million Are Struck.

It has been playfully said that the chance of a man's being struck by lightning is only one in thirty million, and that his chance of recovery when struck is about the same, yet there is a general and perennial interest in the subject. The fact is corroborated by statistical facts, for the chief of the weather bureau of the department of agriculture has certified from the records of his office that the ratio of deaths by lightning to total population of the United States, assuming the latter to be 68,000,000, is annually a little over five persons in a million. The regions of greatest danger from lightning stroke appear to be in Wyoming, Montana, Colorado and North Dakota, though no region is exempt. It is some comfort to those of us who live in cities to be officially assured that "danger from lightning stroke is least in closely built cities and greatest in the open country."

From the figures compiled last year it appears that about one-third of all the cases of fatal lightning stroke on live stock in the fields occurred in the immediate vicinity of wire fences; indeed, there is evidence that in some cases lightning struck the fence at some distance from the place where the stock was killed. The statistics, incomplete as they doubtless are, show that the farmers of the country lost by lightning alone during 1898 live stock valued at about \$50,000.

During the same time there were over 1,800 cases of destructive lightning strokes on buildings, causing a money loss of about \$1,500,000. Three hundred and sixty-seven lives were lost and 494 persons were more or less severely injured by lightning stroke. The killed were in various conditions of environment—in dwellings, barns, under trees and in the open. More people were killed under trees than in the open. It is not safe to seek shelter from a thunderstorm under a tree.

Chief Moore observes that it would be of manifest advantage to know the precise character of the ordinary lightning flash—whether it approximates a steady flow or parades of an oscillatory movement. Better knowledge than we now possess of the kind of object most frequently struck, whether tree, or dwelling house or barn, might be the means of saving life. If, for example, certain trees are more apt to be struck by lightning than others, they should be avoided as a place of shelter in a thunder storm. There are, also, other lines of inquiry in which greater precision of methods and devices might yield valuable returns.—Albany Argus.

### IT IS NOT THEFT.

Important Decision Regarding Stealing of Electricity in Germany.

In December last the provincial court at Elberfeld sentenced three merchants each to one day's imprisonment for stealing from an electric current. The men had secretly attached a wire to a cable laid in the house where they lodged, and thus got their room lighted by electricity for nothing.

The court decided that electricity possessed the essential properties of a movable object, but this was appealed against and the case has finally reached the senate of the supreme court of the empire.

The senate holds that the judgment of the provincial court must be quashed, for the reason that those properties are wanting in electricity which would be necessary to constitute it a movable object in the sense of the law. In the sentence it is stated that electricity must be reckoned as one of the energies of nature, like sound, light, etc.

As the law provides only against the theft of movable bodies, it is inapplicable in the case. Damage to property can also not be pleaded, for this requires that the substance of the object must be affected. It cannot therefore be said that a property has been withdrawn from the wire, for electricity is not one of the properties of copper wire.

The senate, therefore, as mentioned above, came to the unanimous conclusion that, with the law in its present state, tapping an electric current is not theft.—Berlin Cor. of London Leader.

### Private Letter Carrying.

China has still the old-fashioned system of private letter carrying. Letter shops are to be found in every town. If he has a letter to send, the Chinaman goes to a letter shop and bargains with the keeper thereof. He pays two-thirds of the cost, leaving the receiver to pay the rest on delivery.

### INJUSTICE OF HISTORY.

A Great Explorer Forgotten for Over a Century.

The explorer may be lost not only in wilderness or in ocean wastes, but also in the depths of archives or out-of-the-way corners of libraries, where his unpublished records are stored away, forgotten, buried almost beyond human ken until some delving antiquarian turns over the dusty and yellow pages and becomes a discoverer himself. Here is an illustration of two of this interesting fact.

We know that the smallest of the continents, Australia, is separated from the second largest island in the world, New Guinea, by Torres strait. The famous Capt. Cook thought he had made a great discovery in 1770 when he sailed through this strait and thus proved that New Guinea was separated from Australia, though on the maps the island was shown as a part of the continent. The fact is, however, that more than 150 years earlier the forgotten Spanish pilot, Torres had made this same discovery, and the Spaniards had so long concealed it as a state secret in their archives at Manila that they had forgotten all about it themselves. One day late in the last century, when England was at war with Spain and had seized Manila, an inquisitive man named Dalrymple improved the chance to poke around among the archives, and his most interesting discovery was this record of Torres' work. If the English had not been masters of Manila for while the truth about this important discovery might have been left for us to reveal. But the laurels were finally given to the man who had won them, and this is how it happened that, generations after his death, the waters which separate the continent from the island came to be known as Torres strait.—Harper's Round Table.

**A STRAIGHT-FORWARD QUEEN.**  
Victoria's Loyalty to the Constitution and Her High Position.  
The queen has always sailed an absolutely straight course. The idea of intrigue, of working for an ulterior object by unseen means, of concealed or personal aims, is unthinkable in connection with the queen. She has never tried to enlarge her constitutional rights, to increase her personal power and influence, to have her own way because it was her own way. Again, she has never made favorites of this or that man, or even of this or that policy, and then tried to press them forward by any concealed means or secret device. Nobody has ever been able to say: "The queen has taken a great liking for this or that statesman and means to push him quietly," or "her majesty has set her heart on this or that scheme or proposal because it was her own way, or other," or, lastly, "if that is proposed the queen will insist on strutting a bargain and having her favorite plan as to this or that put into execution." The queen, it is said, has never had certain private aims in the background which she has been intensely pressing on while apparently doing other things. Her aim has been a single one—to obey the law, custom and etiquette of the constitution, and to further in every possible way the good of the country. She has never, for example, as have many monarchs, good as well as bad, been perpetually solicitous about advancing dynastic interests, improving the position of her family or seizing opportunities to increase the royal power. Instead, there has been complete loyalty to her high position and, as we have said, absolute singleness of aim.—London Spectator.

### ART OF LETTER WRITING.

Almost Lost in These Days of Easy Communication.

Time was when men and women took letter writing very seriously, and sat down to the desk as if to an important task. The scrawls of the modern glib and hasty dashing off of an epistle to one's post or the scribbles of a commonplace, sealed with sprawling wax, and dismissed with a sigh of relief, would have filled a young woman of Jane Austen's day with unfeigned horror. Apart from the stilted style, affected by persons who had the courtliness of their period and its leisure, without the inherent grace of the raconteur who is of no period, but belongs to all time, the epistolary remains of the last century and of still earlier centuries, possess an interest which we shall vainly seek in the annals of our own day when we come to search for them in letters. Cowper, Minc. de Seville, Mary Mitford, the ladies of the Hare family, Mrs. Browning in a yesterday just past, and others, whose memoirs form part of our literary wealth, are good samples of the perfect letter.—Harper's Bazar.

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### BEAUTIFUL WEDDING GIFT.

Fit for a Princess It Was Given to a Girl Who Worked in a Mill.

A girl who for nine years has worked in a certain Northern mill was recently married and from the carding spinning and weaving overalls, because she had worked so faithfully, she received a present as delicate and rare and beautiful as ever graced the nuptials of a princess, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat. The men gave her their handkerchiefs, each of them so light that with a breath they could be blown to the ceiling, for they were worn of thiselint. This stuff is common on the plant, or floating slowly through the air, it resembles a ball of colweb brushed with powdered silver. The gathering of it is a task, and it is romantic to think of the three overalls, cap and apron, and the girl, and the young girl's honor on the green fields after the floating balls on certain Sunday mornings. But to earth, spin and weave thiselint—to wind it on bobbins and make a warp of it—these were the real tasks, and there were months of failure and despair before they were achieved.

Yet certainly the fabric is delicate enough to reward the men for all their trouble. A square yard of the beautiful, shimmering, silver-gray stuff could be crushed between the thumb and finger into a ball no bigger than a pea.

### AMERICANS IN LONDON.

Statisticians Say That They Spend \$10,000,000 Annually in the World's Metropolis.

Some London statisticians announce that Americans spend in London more than \$10,000,000 every season, and he declares that the greater part of this comes from the Americans living there permanently or for some months at a time, and not from the transient visitors who stay for only a few days. The American entertainments are said to be looked upon now as a regular feature of the season and play an appreciable part in its brilliancy. Shopkeepers find that Americans are generally more liberal in their dealings than English people of the same wealth and position. The number of Americans residing permanently in London is now estimated at 20,000. There are nearly as many more during the average summer, although years of expositions or special events this figure is much increased. A New Yorker who recently returned from London was impressed with the small number of his fellow-countrymen who seemed to take up their residence there. The number of New Yorkers among the Americans who live permanently in London is said to be proportionately small. The majority of these expatriated citizens of the United States are said to come from the middle west.

### STONE HOTELS.

They Are Said to Burn Easier Than Those Built Entirely of Wood.

Considering how many huge hotels, constructed entirely of wood, and often in a more or less flimsy manner, are scattered about the country in places where security from fire depends almost wholly on the watchfulness of proprietors and guests, it is, indeed, remarkable that fatal conflagrations are not more numerous than they are. As a matter of fact, it is the old city hotel that most often is the scene of a great catastrophe, not the big frame structure at mountain or beach resorts, though there, at first thought, would seem to be much more convenient fuel for flames, says the New York Times. It must be remembered, however, that the difference between the urban and rural hotels is more apparent than real. Stone or brick outside walls give no inflammability to a building with wooden floors laid on wooden beams, and with scuttling covered with plaster and partitions. As one of the officials said in discussing the tragedy at the Windsor, the summer hotels are safer than they seem. They contain few except kitchen fires, and their structure is such that every inmate is moved to more carefulness than residents in the solid-looking buildings in the city think necessary.

### "TEDDY" IS A SAD BIRD NOW.

Well-Meaning Bald Eagle That Served as Mascot for Riders' Mascot Has Met Sore Defeat.

After a well-meaning bald eagle had served as a mascot for the rough riders and vanquished every other bird, the bird of his age since the war, it comes hard to be thrashed by two bald-headed intruders, who never saw Cuba or squawked defiance at hostile riders. And doubly hard it is to be used as an animated prop by still another pair of shiny-pated fighters, says the New York Press. That is the reason why "Teddy," the eagle who brought luck to Col. Roosevelt's regiment, now makes his bed on a hard rock near the ground, while his four conquerors look down on him from the highest perch of the eagle cage in the Central Park zoo. "Teddy" was boss of the eagle until Superintendent Smith introduced a pair of bald eagles named the "Heavenly Twins." They proceeded, by working together, to make "Teddy" hang his head in humiliation, and another pair that was brought in later made matters worse for the once proud bird. "Teddy" fought hard, but he had no more chance than the Spaniards whom he once defeated.

### Chinese Teachers.

A Chinese teacher in a private school receives about one cent a day for every pupil in his class.

### WAYS OF DODGING WRITS.

Officers of the Law Balked by Clever Scoundrels.

Two seasons back a laughable scene occurred at Clifton. A lawyer's clerk, who had instructions to serve a writ on a young fellow, had after much trouble traced his quarry to that seaside resort, where he found him enjoying the pleasure of a bath. Being pressed for time he resolved to execute his commission forthwith, so engaging another machine he undressed, and with the writ between his teeth, swam after it—, who was leisurely making his way towards a boat, where in a friend was seated.

Clasping to lock round it—cried his pursuer, whose errand, from prior acquaintance, he divined, and increasing his pace gained the lost some ten yards in advance. Judging that he must soon return, the clerk slowly swam back to mount guard over his clothes, but what was his chagrin when he saw it—dressed in the friend's flannels rowing the boat in a convenient landing place, while the friend was making his way to the machine wherein were the delinquent's clothes, having donned which he strode quietly away.

Last summer at one of our southern watering places a trip to Boulogne was advertised. Among the passengers was a certain H— S—, who knowing himself to be closely pursued by an emissary of the law, armed with a writ, had taken refuge on board only to find that the man he most desired to avoid had joined the party at the last moment. If managed, however, to escape service till the boat was fairly on its way, when, finding himself closely pressed, he sprang overboard, and being a strong swimmer made for a boat in the vicinity. The captain, seeing that he was safe, consented to a convenient landing place, while the friend, hearing with him the luckless pursuer.

Mr. Wyndham Flitter's escape from the bailiffs, as described by Albert Smith in "The Pottletown Legacy," had its counterpart some years since at one of the late Mr. Simmon's hallion ascents. As the aeronaut was on the point of starting a gentleman rushed up, hurriedly paid the fee demanded for the trip, sprang into the car, and was borne aloft from the baffled clutches of the law which was close upon him.

Some two years before imprisonment for debt was abolished a manerie on view at Sheffield had for one of its attractions a den of performing lions, whose tamer was out at every performance to invite any of the spectators to accompany him into the cage. On one occasion on making his usual overture a man, forcing his way through the crowd, closed with the offer, and was admitted into the presence of the lions just as two men hot and exhausted with running appeared upon the scene. In his safe refuge he remained until the performance was concluded, when, whispering something in the tamer's ear, at the same time dropping a handkerchief into his hand, a door at the rear was opened. Through this he sprang, and was away ere the sheriff's officers—for such the two men were—could realize that they had been balked of their capture.—London Tit-Bits.

### TERTRIT WESTERN DAMSEL.

Shrewd Girl Was This Who Bought the Funeral Home.

A spirit of thrift was shown by a young woman who entered a car with sundry boxes and bundles. Another young person came in at the next station and recognized her: "Oh, my, who is to be married?" "Nobody, and me last of all." "Then what are the boxes for?" "A funeral," our teacher died, and we girls put together to get this wealth."

"Poor thing, did she know she was going to die?" "I don't think so," then, after a pause, she added, cheerfully, "but she does by this time," all being said in a most unconscious way.

"How much was the wealth?" "Two dollars and sixty cents. I only had two twenty-five." "Did you pay the difference?" "Dear, no. I made him give me for two dollars, so I saved my own quarter I put in, but I'm going to make the girls think I paid two sixty." "Well, that's right; the wear and tear is worth a quarter, surely."—Observer.

"Pilgrim's Progress" in Chinese. An edition of the "Pilgrim's Progress," translated into Chinese, represents Christian with a shaved head and a pigtail.

### The Fish Story.

The only thing that gives weight to a fish story is the scales.—Chicago Daily News.

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### Judge Pryor on Goebel.

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